

REMARKS

At the outset, Applicants thank the Examiner for his time and consideration of the above-identified application during the telephone conversation on Friday July 31, 2009. Applicants noted that claim 16 was pending in the application, but was not addressed in the Disposition of Claims in the Office Action Summary and was inadvertently indicated as being canceled on page 2 of the Official Action. Applicants also noted that allowed claim 25 was dependent on claim 16. The Examiner indicated that claim 16 was pending and allowable.

Claims 2-4, 7, 8, 10-12, 16-19 and 25-27 are pending in the application. Allowed claims 2-4, 7, 8, 10-12, 16-17, and 26-27 remain unchanged.

Claims 18-19 have been amended to address formal issues raised in the outstanding Official Action.

Allowed claim 25 has been amended to incorporate the recitations of previously pending claims 23 and 24.

Applicants respectfully submit that no new matter has been added.

Claims 18 and 19 were objected to as allegedly containing several informalities. Applicants thank the Examiner for the suggestions as how to overcome the objections and have amended the claims accordingly. Applicants respectfully request that the objection be withdrawn.

Claims 20-22 were rejected under 35 USC 112, first paragraph for allegedly not satisfying the written description requirement. This rejection is traversed.

Applicants respectfully note that the recitation of "3500 mg" is supported by the amounts and number of times in which the compositions used in the examples were administered. Nevertheless, in the interest of advancing prosecution, claims 20-22 have been canceled. Applicants respectfully request that the rejection be withdrawn.

Claims 23-24 were rejected under 35 USC 112, first paragraph for allegedly not satisfying the enablement requirement. This rejection is traversed.

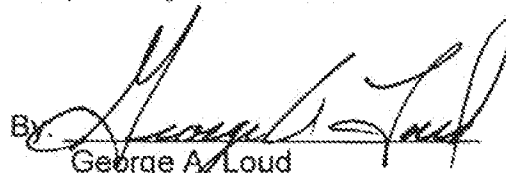
In imposing the rejection, the Official Action does not provide any evidence that claims 23-24 do not satisfy the enablement requirement. In this regard, Applicants respectfully submit that the rejection is improper as a matter of law. Nevertheless, in the interest of advancing prosecution, claims 23-24 have been canceled. Applicants respectfully request that the rejection be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

In view of the present Amendment and foregoing Remarks, therefore, Applicant believes that the present application is in condition for allowance at the time of the next Official Action. Allowance and passage to issue on that basis is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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